the aid of assessors as laid down in the rules referred to in the question.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Nemmara):* Is it not mandatory that they should prepare the lists of assessors? Under the rules they have been called upon to prepare lists of assessors.

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* Under the rules they have been called upon to prepare the lists as far as practicable. They are preparing it and some of them have finished the work and in some cases they are in the course of preparation.

Mr. T. V. Subramania Ayyar *(Nemmara):* May I know which of the Munsiff's Courts have prepared the lists and which are those that have not prepared?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):* I am sorry I am not in a position to give you details as to which courts have already prepared and which have not. The answer was furnished by the Judicial Department. I think most of the Munsiff's Courts have finished this work and only in a few cases they are in the course of preparation. If necessary I shall write to them and get the information tomorrow.

MUSIC MISTRESSES—CASTE-WAR STATEMENT

248. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of Music Mistresses in the permanent service now;

(*b*) a communal-war statement of the Music Mistresses in permanent service now;

(*c*) the number of permanent vacancies of Music Mistresses from 1st Kumbham 1114 till now showing the number and the names of schools;

(*d*) whether there were permanent vacancies of Music Mistresses in the schools at Kodakara, Narakkal and Vypeen during the period referred to in clause (*c*) above;

(*e*) the names and communities of those who were appointed in the vacancies referred to in clauses (*c*) and (*d*)?

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Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):*

(*a*) 89.

(*b*)

Nayar	64
Tamil Brahmin	3
Ezhuva	2
Other Hindus	10
Do. backward or Depressed Classes	5
Christians	5

(Protestants 2. Jacobites 2. Roman Catholic 1.)

(*c*) 1. E. S. Vypeen,
2. M. G. S. Urakam,
3. Do. Narakkal,
4. M. S., Alappad,
5. M. S., Pattikkad,
6. E. S., Kolinjampara and
7. H. S., Nemmara.

(*d*) No vacancy in Kodakara School. There was one at E. S., Vypeen and another in M. G. S., Narakkal.

(*e*) 1. M. G. S., Narakkal—K. Parukutty Ammah, Nayar.
2. M. S., Alappad—M. Gouri Ammah, Nayar.
3. M. S., Pattikkad—K. Lekshikutty Ammah, Nayar.
4. E. S., Kolinjampara—P. D. Elia, Christian.
5. H. S., Nemmara—E. Kamalakshy Ammah, Nayar.

The vacancy in the E. S , Vypeen was filled by transferring a permanent hand and in the consequent permanent vacancy in C. S. P. School, Machad, T. V. Kunjanam (Christian) is now officiating. In the permanent vacancy in M. G. School, Urakam, P. Janaky Ammah is officiating (Nayar).

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I know, Sir, whether there were applicants from communities other than Nayars for the vacancies referred to in sub-division (*e*)?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* These vacancies were filled strictly in the order of communal representation. I have been observing the principle of communal rotation for the last three years and these vacancies arose subsequently. These have been filled absolutely on the principle of communal rotation.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* May I point out, Sir, that out of a total number of 89 Music Mistresses, 64 are Nayars?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* They have been there for years.

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Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* I want to make the position clear before the House and Government. Out of 89, there are 64 Nayars and in the five vacancies that recently occurred, three Nayars are appointed. Is it the communal rotation in the Government service?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* It is only when the person who belongs to the next community is not available that another is appointed and it is only where no other community was capable of being represented that it has been given to these Nayars.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* That is why I asked whether there were not applicants from other communities for these five vacancies?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Not with the requisite qualification.

Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Was there any applicant from the Ezhuva community?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* Not with the requisite qualification. I shall explain. There are two grades of Music Mistresses. For the higher grade you require the Senior Music test and two of these vacancies were in the senior grade and not one was available with the requisite qualification from the Ezhuva or from any of the other communities.

Mr. C. R. Iyyunni *(Trichur-South):* Will the Government be pleased to transfer the appointment of these people to the Staff Selection Board. Otherwise there is always considerable disadvantage. There is no knowing why these posts of Music Mistresses alone should be kept out of the purview of the Staff Selection Board. There are about 89 persons to be appointed as Music Mistresses. I would like to get an answer to my question.

Mr. President : No answer is given.

SALARY OF TEACHERS IN THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT— REVISION OF—REPRESENTATION REGARDING

249. Mr. V. N. Damodaran Nambiar *(Trippunittura):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the C. T. A. (Cochin Teachers' Association) had made any representation for the revision of the salary of teachers in the Primary Department in 1115;

(*b*) have Government come to any decision in the matter;

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